Illinois House of Representatives

Special Investigating Committee

The House Rules for the 101st General Assembly were adopted by a majority of the members of the House of Representatives on January 29, 2019. Article XII of the House Rules details procedures for disciplinary proceedings against a member of the House. House Rule 91(a) specifies mandatory creation of a Special Investigating Committee ("Committee") if a petition containing the grounds for suggested charges is signed by three or more members of the Illinois House. The Petition, signed by three members of the Illinois House was filed with the Speaker of the House, on Monday, August 31, 2020, contains charges which, if true, may subject the member named in the Petition to disciplinary action by the House.

Pursuant to House Rule 92(b), a list of suggested charges is submitted to the Special Investigating Committee for a thorough investigation of all allegations and charges concerning Illinois House Speaker Michael J. Madigan. Detailed below is the charge brought forward for the Committee's consideration.

In addition, a copy of the Deferred Prosecution Agreement entered into by Commonwealth Edison with the United States District Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, is submitted to the Committee for its review and consideration. It is relevant to the charge set forth against Representative Madigan.

CHARGE

1. Representative Madigan engaged in conduct which is unbecoming to a legislator or which constitutes a breach of public trust, as detailed in the admissions by Commonwealth Edison in the Deferred Prosecution Agreement, including engaging in a bribery scheme, an extortion scheme, conspiracy to violate federal and state laws, among other misconduct and misuse of office.

The acts detailed in the Petition and which makeup the charge constitute misconduct and the misuse of the office to which the Representative was elected. These acts compel me to submit this charge to the Special Investigating Committee for its consideration.

Submitted, September 10, 2020

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